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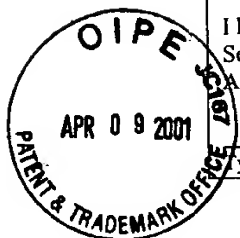
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DECLARATION OF INVENTORS UNDER C.F.R. § 1.131

We, Anne E. Miller, A. Daniel Feller, and Kenneth C. Cadien, declare that:

1. We are the inventors of the subject matter described and claimed in the above-referenced patent application.

2. Prior to May 29, 1998, we conceived the present invention in the United States of America at least to the extent shown by Exhibit 1 attached to this Declaration. Exhibit 1 is an Invention Disclosure form submitted by us to our employer prior to May 29, 1998. Exhibit 1 has been redacted. Each redacted date on Exhibit 1 is prior to May 29, 1998.

3. We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under § 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of this patent application or any patent issued thereon.

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